Dear Mr. Calabrese,

As the grandparent of a 13 year old boy with Autism I am opposed to S B 1105.

ABA programs run by other than BCBAs would be a watered-down version of what the certified & qualified BCBA experts provide and a disservice to children with Autism.

There is no way, individuals with endorsements only in Special Education, could provide the expertise needed for these children on the Autism spectrum.

Before a BCBA is certified he or she must take 6 explicit courses ,be under the supervision of a BCBA for 1500 hours and finally pass a certification test.

Please, Mr. Calabrese, I beg you, do not vote in favor of this change.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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